

2014-15 TiTC Grant Award, Assessment Review & Action Plan

RE: Request for Proposal (RFP) - Teaching is the Core #SA-17 Award
 LEA: Awarded to Erie 1 Boces for delivery to 10 component districts
 Time Period: September 1, 2014 – Jun 30, 2015

Erie 1 BOCES is pleased to inform us that it has successfully been awarded the Teaching is the Core (TitC) grant in the amount of \$400,000 as the LEA for 10 participating school districts.

Cheektowaga Central is one of the districts that has signed on to participate with Erie 1 BOCES and the professional development surrounding the analysis of district assessments used for instructional and APPR purposes.

Through participation in this grant we will receive professional development and funds to support our teachers in the evaluation, eliminating, modification, and creating of new assessments aligned to our instructional program.

The following plan is in place to address our participation in this grant:

TiTC Cheektowaga Central Action Plan for Assessment Development			
Date	Activity	Responsible	Outcome
Pre-grant prep activities - optional	If appropriate		
October 2014	Create the Assessment Review Committee	Superintendent or Designee (Instructional Leader)	Assessment Review Committee formed with appropriate membership
Oct 2014 – Nov 2014	District Assessment Review Committees determine classification of Assessments (modify, augment, eliminate, and/ or replace) and actions and priorities will be determined.	District Review Committee E1B PD Staff	List of assessments recommendations finalized
Oct 2014 – June 2015	Based on results of review, convene grade level/content area teachers with expertise in item writing, assessment design and analysis for assessment modification or creation teams	District Instructional Leader	Individual District Assessment writing teams are developed

Nov 2014– June 2015	Professional development will take place for the identified assessment development for the following APPR assessments under this grant: 1. Math K-2 & 9-12 2. ELA K-2 3. Science 5-12 4. Social Studies 5-12 5. All Special Area Subjects [Ex: LOTE, Art, Music, FACS, Technology, Library, etc.]	E1B facilitated with District Instructional Leader	Assessments are designed during the school year
Nov 2014 – June 2015	Regional and District-specific professional development workshops are delivered on variety of assessment methods and Parent Engagement Programs	E1B PD Staff	District administrators and teachers reach capacity to effectively create and/or modify and/or choose assessments to high-quality standards
Feb 2015	APPR modified if assessments are changed and impact APPR	District Leader	Impact to APPR noted
May 2015 – June 2015	Parent Engagement Programs are finalized, scheduled and Assessment results are posted to district web site & shared with the TitC statewide consortium	E1B	Public Notification and supports are in place with the community

As a result of Cheektowaga Central’s participation in the TitC grant, we have made the following changes to our APPR-related assessment schedule:

Recommendations based on Review	Number
Total number determined to keep	96
Total number determined to eliminate	10
Total number determined to modify	11
Total number determined to create	75